



2014 was an active year for the DHS Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN) Program. From events and exercises to emergency and incident management operations, HSIN was there to support users and help get the job done. Along the way, the HSIN Team implemented a number of capabilities and enhancements focused on making things easier and helping users achieve operational goals.

For law enforcement, HSIN partnered with the Regional Information Sharing Systems®, making it possible to log in once to access both networks. Within DHS, HSIN users can log in more quickly with their personal identity verification (PIV) card. For all homeland security professionals, common operating picture (COP) Mobile now makes it possible to access incident information on the go.

HSIN also worked with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) to centralize their online campus and create more training options. This new capability provides a foundation for additional training options for all HSIN users. Similarly, the new HSIN Tribal community provides more options for Tribes to share information and best practices while providing direct access to a variety of Federal resources.

As 2014 drew to a close, the first Best of HSIN Awards were announced. Judged by HSIN users, the winners represent creative and exceptional uses of HSIN.



JANUARY

West Virginia Chemical Spill

The West Virginia Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management coordinated response operations and shared updates in real time following a massive chemical leak that left more than 300,000 people without clean water.

New Mexico School Shooting

The New Mexico All Source Intelligence Center used HSIN to share information with the broader intelligence community and answer questions related to a middle school shooting.

San Sebastian Street Festival

In Puerto Rico, the fusion center worked with public safety officials to share information, photos and live video from security cameras and the mobile devices of field operators to support the safety of more than 300.000 attendees.

FEBRUARY

Waste Management® Phoenix Open

For the third year in a row, public safety professionals from more than 15 organizations in the Scottsdale, Arizona area used HSIN to share tactical information concerning weather, traffic patterns, incident information and medical response requests in real time.

Super Bowl XLVIII

HSIN collaborated with the Super Bowl planning team in New Jersey to prepare for the event. On game day, the DHS Intelligence Enterprise worked with New Jersey State Police officials to quickly triage threat reports and share information seamlessly across multiple intelligence centers.

MARCH

Baton Rouge Area Violence Elimination (BRAVE) Project Partnership

Louisiana State University researchers teamed with fusion center officials to analyze gang data in support of a new crime reduction initiative. Initial results showed an 18 percent drop in violent crime in the Baton Rouge area.

National Collegiate Athletic Association Men's Final Four Basketball Championship

The North Central Texas Fusion Center worked with Federal, State and Local officials to support overall situational awareness, share information in real time and monitor daily activities throughout the 4-day event.



MAY

Launch of Operation Strong Safety (OSS)

The Texas Department of Public Safety is leading a multi-agency effort to prevent human and drug trafficking across the Texas/ Mexico border, providing real-time incident mapping and live streaming of video feeds from aircraft to support intelligence-based decision making.

Orange County Active Shooter Exercise

Fusion centers worked with Federal officials to securely share real-time, event-related information between more than 250 participants during the southern California exercise.

Thunder Over Louisville and the Kentucky Derby

Federal, State and Local law enforcement used a central, online command post to share information with command centers and law enforcement in the field as well as access live traffic cameras feeds on-demand.



United States Coast Guard (USCG) Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) Hurricane Drill

USCG Sector Mobile simulated moving their headquarters' capabilities to their Aviation Training Center (ATC) Mobile, Alabama site, ensuring continual access to critical information no matter the weather situation.

Kentucky Grants Program

By creating an online training program for a required grants workshop, the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security incurred significant savings for both their State and Local agencies.

KONFITMA Joint Training Exercise

During a 36-hour drill, 26 participating agencies in the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianna Islands, Guam and Hawaii worked together to support more than 11 different scenarios designed to fully stress their resources.

JUNE

Forsyth County Court House Active Shooter Incident

Investigators in Georgia used their i-Track capability to manage investigations and coordinate activities, making sure that every lead was followed up and gaps were closed.

Presidential Visit to Orange County

Regional law enforcement and emergency services agencies worked together to ensure security and public safety during the President's commencement address for the University of California, Irvine, at Angel Stadium in Anaheim.

JULY

Annual National Governors Association Conference

Tennessee Fusion Center analysts worked with Federal, State and Local law enforcement and homeland security personnel to provide comprehensive situational awareness, making sure the conference remained safe.

Major League Baseball All-Star Game®

During the 5 days of events during MLB All-Star Week, Federal, State and Local officials worked together to maintain situational awareness and coordinate response efforts between multiple command centers.

AUGUST

USA Pro Challenge

Colorado State Police, fusion center analysts and local officials from the 11 cities covering the 550 mile race course maintained real-time communications throughout the 7-day event.



Multi-State Facial Recognition Community Launch

Vetted law enforcement officials use this community to initiate facial recognition requests between participating states and fusion centers with a single click of the mouse.

SEPTEMBER

Star-Spangled Spectacular

The Maryland Emergency Management Agency supported communication and collaboration between more than 150 agencies that helped ensure the safety of more than one million attendees.



OCTOBER

Susan G. Komen® Race for the Cure

Arkansas State and Local police and other first responders maintained situational awareness, supported real-time communications and streamed video to spot check for problems.



Chicago Marathon

Law enforcement officials streamed camera feeds from police helicopters to provide a bird's eye view of the event.

NOVEMBER

Tribal Community Launch

A new HSIN community launched to support collaboration and situational awareness between Tribal Nations and their Federal, State, Local and Private Sector partners.

GORE-TEX® Philadephia Marathon

The Delaware Valley Intelligence Center (DVIC) kept local area regional partner agencies informed about ongoing event information in real time as nearly 100,000 athletes, spectators and volunteers came together in the heart of Philadelphia.

These are just a few examples of HSIN's mission support and programmatic accomplishments for 2014. For more information, please contact the HSIN Outreach Team at **HSIN.Outreach@hq.dhs.gov**.

Color Key:

Daily Operations

Events & Exercises

Incident Support

Supported multiple consecutive years

